

DEATH UNCOVERS A STORY OF SHAME

Merchant Prince of Chinatown Is
Shown to Have Lived a
Double Life.

FORGED NOTES NOW APPEAR

Trust Funds Can Not Be Found
—Former Friends Will Now
Have to Pay.

The recent death of one of the most influential and best respected men of Chinatown has brought forth a story of high and frozied finance that has stirred the Chinese community of this city as nothing else has. Forgery, misrepresentation, the abuse of old friendships and the disappearance of some twenty thousand dollars are all mentioned in the stories in circulation and even the news of the complete defeat of the Republic could not cast a darker pall of sorrow over Chinatown than has the development of the past few days.

On December 30 was announced the news of the death of Yee Chin, who had been president of the United Chinese Society and a prominent merchant, trusted by his fellow countrymen and one of the several Chinese merchants whose "word was as good as his bond" and whose credit in the local banks was practically unlimited. His funeral the following day was one of the most largely attended of recent years and Chinatown mourned for the loss of a good man.

Yee Chin was supposed to have died wealthy, but the investigation of his affairs led to some astonishing disclosures, showing that for some time the merchant prince had been living a double life. Of the large amount of money supposed to be at his disposal, only some ten thousand dollars in all could be traced, while against that were found notes discounted to the total of over thirty thousand dollars, while money entrusted to him by other Chinese could not be located.

Further consternation was occasioned when the notes from the banks were investigated. In many instances it was found that their endorsements had been obtained fraudulently, while in other instances the signatures of signers and endorsers proved to be forgeries.

So keenly have the disclosures been felt by the former friends and associates of Yee Chin that a committee has been appointed among them to gather up the fragments of the affair and devise ways and means to meet the situation so that the memory of their friend will be to a certain extent cleared.

Among the Chinese who are "stung" by Yee Chin's financial reaping is Chu Gem, who was an endorser upon some notes, the total being more than \$2000. Others are individually responsible for like and larger sums and these will probably total about \$15,000.

The banks, while they hold paper which is worthless, will, it is understood, not suffer loss, as the Chinese community, through the committee now probing the dead man's affairs, will meet these obligations.

Yee Chin's death was sudden, due, it is said, to an overindulgence in ice cream, which brought on stomach trouble of an acute nature.

In the light of his financial tangle, the Chinese are suggesting that Yee Chin hastened his death, but in just what manner they have not arrived at any clear conclusion. Hints of suicide have been made. Certainly the hopeless tangle of his affairs, and the knowledge that some of his worthless paper would soon be brought to public attention, may have worried him.

It is said that Yee Chin was paying interest on his indebtedness at the rate of \$200 a month, and while he had the cash to use from the negotiation of the notes the \$200 a month did not greatly trouble him, but latterly he had been hard pressed.

GEORGE AND HIS QUEEN SAIL FOR ENGLAND

BOMBAY, January 11.—King George and his consort Queen Mary, lately crowned Emperor and Empress of India amid the most gorgeous ceremonies known in history, left on the royal yacht today for England. Worship will accompany the party to the coast.

C. PARLIAMENT IS OPENED.

VICTORIA, B. C., January 11.—The twentieth parliament opened this morning at 10 o'clock.

SCOTS WHA HAE WI' WALLAGE BLEED WULL HA' TO TREAD CANNIE TH' NIGHT

If Bobbie Burns doesn't sit up and take notice at the same time cross the Honolulu Scottish Thistle Club off his visiting list, a good many braw Scots will miss their guess. And now don't say "Hoot, mon, wha's the matter?" for the matter is muckle ene.

Think of this astounding announcement: "The Honolulu Scottish Thistle Club has this year decided to adopt a new form of celebration. In the place of the customary smoker which has hitherto marked the event, they will give an entertainment to members and their friends in the Kilohana Art League Hall on January 25. The fair sex are to be given an opportunity to join in the celebration."

Ab, ye shades of Wallace and of Bruce! Oh, ye men who were men for a' that! And Robbie Burns will surely turn in his far away home of poetry and dance a Heilan' fling that will have strange blue music in accompaniment!

The fair sex will take part, declares the announcement. That is, indeed, a fine concession, but be it said that many of the MacDonalds and the MacGregors and the MacPhersons and the

MacLeods are secretly awaiting the favorable time when they may pounce upon that renegade committee which threw all that was good and glorious in the traditions of Bonnie Scotland to the far winds of heaven and made the annual day of "fine Robert" one of tea and soda crackers and—plain soda.

Yes, verily, there is war within the clan—"The Campbells are coming" and the glory of Bannockburn will not be hidden even by the petticoats of Scotch lassies.

"Lochiel, Lochiel, beware of the day When the lowlands shall meet thee in battle array!"

Yes, beware of the day, say many members of the Scottish Thistle Club—and the day they mean is January 25. Where, oh, where, they ask, is the tartan and the claymore?—where the feather and the thistle?—where the King William?—but hush, it has all been arranged and the Bonnie lassies are in control.

An excellent program of Scottish music is being arranged, including songs by Miss Collins, Mrs. C. S. Wright, Chester Livingston and Canon Ault, as well as violin solos by W. A. Love. The event promises to be a notable one, say the ladies.

COME ON, ALL YOU FANCY STEPPERS, HERE IS A CHALLENGE TO TAKE UP

If some one will please come forward to accept the challenge, Honolulu will very soon see a new kind of marathon—dancing. This innovation is promised by a newcomer to these Islands, who won terpsichorean marathon honors on the Pacific Coast and is surprised that this interesting form of contest has not already been introduced in Honolulu.

To those who have not kept step with the latest dancing sensations it may be necessary for the challenger, Gus L. Lapanaky, recently of the American Dancing Academy, of Vancouver, British Columbia, to enlighten them on tripping the light fantastic marathon and this he is quite ready to do, in the hope that his challenge will be accepted.

In the last contest in which he and his sister won the second championship of the Pacific Coast at Tacoma the requirement merely was to dance with half an egg shell fastened on each heel, and they kept it up for one hour and thirty-eight minutes before their feet refused to move any longer, the heels coming down upon the shells, concluding the marathon.

Another equally interesting and difficult contest now in vogue, says Mr. Lapanaky, is to "marathon" with a glass tumbler or goblet upon the head, which requires skillful and painstaking movements.

Smooth waltzing or the two-step will figure in the marathon for which the challenge is now issued and the challenger will be pleased to have prospective contestants communicate with him at Camp Vary.

CHINAMAN SELLS HIS REAL ESTATE TO DEVOTE PROCEEDS TO THE REVOLUTION

With a patriotism entirely revolutionary, one well known Chinaman in Honolulu has determined to devote a large part of his property to the sacred cause of the Chinese Republic. Now is the time, he believes, when a few hundreds or thousands of dollars will make all the difference between success and failure in the fight in the Celestial Empire for freedom from the hated Manchu rule.

Naturally, however, he proceeded with the greatest caution, for he did not wish it known that he proposed to make the sacrifice that he has for the cause of revolution. For this contribution of his is not for the Red Cross Society, just the contrary. He will in-

vest that little fortune he sends to revolutionary headquarters be devoted to ammunition.

"It's for powder and bullets," he confessed yesterday.

Two lots, close in, near Lane street, were owned by this Chinese patriot until yesterday, when the deeds to them were completed and the deal closed through the Island Investment Company, for both lots. The sale price, which was nearly one thousand dollars, will be paid over this morning, and probably before tonight will be transferred to the headquarters of the Republic in Shanghai, by cable.

It was with a smile of the utmost satisfaction that he signed the deed yesterday afternoon and announced that the money belongs to the Republic for "powder and bullets."

REPUBLICAN RECEPTION WILL BE AN ELABORATE BUT DEMOCRATIC AFFAIR

Electricians were busy yesterday wiring in designs the interior and exterior of the United Chinese Society's hall on King street in order that that building may flash in oriental glory on Monday evening, the occasion of the public reception to be given in honor of Sun Fo, the son of President Sun of China. Those in charge of the arrangements for this reception are going to great trouble to have the event worthy of the occasion and the decorations as planned will be most elaborate. F. W. Damon, in whose name the invitation to the white residents of the city is issued, hopes that the general public understand that this reception is to be as democratic as possible and that every one who desires to express through honoring the son an aloha to the father, President Sun, will be welcomed.

A number of gifts to be sent to the President and his family are being prepared and will be given Sun Fo on the evening of the reception and a testimonial from the Chinese of Honolulu, expressing their adherence to the Republic, will be presented to Sun Fo for transmission to his father.

Red Cross Money Coming In.

The foreign-born Chinese Red Cross fund now amounts to \$1425. Yesterday Mr. Damon, through Bishop & Co., called to Wu Ting Fang a thousand dollars gold, making the amount \$2425. A personal note to the fund was also sent by Mr. Damon.

and Mrs. Westervelt, \$25; W. A. Bowen, \$25; Prof. J. W. MacNeil, \$10; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spencer Bowen, \$25; Robert Minnigh, \$5; Governor Pratt, \$25; Bishop & Co., \$250; A Friend, \$3; A Friend, \$2; W. D. McCallum, \$5; Mary Castle Trust, \$250; Mrs. Hans Isenberg, \$100; G. P. Castle, \$100; and C. H. Dickey, \$10. Total to date \$1435.

MANY SOLDIERS TO ARRIVE TODAY

On board the army transport Sheridan, due to arrive here this morning, are a number of officers and several hundred men for the various posts on Oahu. Major John H. Wholley, who has been designated as commander of one of the infantry battalions in the Washington's Birthday parade is one of these. He has been assigned to the command of the third battalion, Second Infantry, and will report at the Kaunakakai reservation.

For Fort De Russy are two companies of engineers from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, while two other companies are bound for the Philippines to take station at Fort Mills.

A report was current on the street last night that the level of the Bay had fallen and that the water was low and that the tide would probably remain low for several days.

THIBET MISSION NOW DESERTED

Workers Here Yesterday Fleeing
From Massacre—Had
Bitter Experience.

Driven out of Thibet by a revolution of the Thibetans against their Chinese superiors, harassed by bands of roving Chinese, without supplies and forced to travel an unused route to reach the Chinese Coast and civilization, J. C. Ogden, a missionary of the Christian Church, his wife and daughter, were in Honolulu yesterday, passengers on the liner Nippon Maru, en route to Los Angeles. They met with hardships throughout their long, tedious and nerve-wrecking journey from the land of the Dai Lama, Mr. Ogden spending forty-four days in the saddle and his wife and daughter the same number of days in the cramped space of a sedan chair carried roughly over a rough country. They were fleeing for safety from a station which had become untenable, and from which they had been notified to leave within twenty-four hours or lose their lives.

For seven years the Ogdens had labored in the mission among the Thibetans and Chinese in the wild and little known country of eastern Thibet, perched high in the mountains of the Tanga Range. There were few white people at Batang, but there the Ogdens worked among one of the strangest races in the world. It is a long journey from Shanghai up the Yangtze River, and then there is an overland journey of thirty-nine days, and it is seventeen days across the snowy mountain range to their station.

Returning to the Coast, even when conditions are normal, often takes three months. The revolution in China broke out in October. The flame of rebellion swept quickly across China, through Szechuen province to the borders of China, where they merged into those of Thibet. A fearful danger confronted the band of missionaries, for the terrors of the revolution in China were augmented by an uprising of Thibetans at Batang against the Chinese in their attempt to establish an independent rule. The Thibetans took advantage of the revolution to drive the Chinese beyond their borders. The Dai Lama's people made headway and naturally, supplies from the Coast were cut off.

Pled For Their Lives.

Then the Thibetans began killing the Chinese officials, and the naked, red arm of anarchy swept through the towns. The time came when the local officials found they could no longer protect the lives of the foreigners, and there were notified one day that it would be necessary for them to flee. Less than a day was left to make their preparations for flight, a flight which resembled that of Joseph into Egypt. Upon the back of a horse the missionary rode. His wife, soon to become a mother, was placed in a sedan chair with her daughter, and with others of the little band, they started on their long journey to the coast.

They were compelled to travel by a route seldom used. They went across country, with missionaries and other foreigners before and behind them. Strange to say, many of those in front, and many behind, were murdered by roving bandits, but they passed through unscathed.

Helped by Mason Mitchell.

Finally they reached Chungking, where they found one of American frontier scouts, Mason Mitchell, well known in Honolulu. They found him an energetic officer of the American Republic and the missionaries have only the kindest words for him. He looked after them, and started them again on their way to safety.

"The primary cause of our departure was the cutting off of our supplies," said Mr. Ogden yesterday. "The second was equally important and that was because Chinese officials were being mistreated, imprisoned and killed. The third started us on our way, for we were told by the leading official there that he had come to the end of his resources and could no longer protect us."

Feeless in Hongkong.

The family arrived at Hongkong, almost without a dollar. In this extremity Mr. Ogden went to the American consul, Mr. Anderson, but according to Mr. Ogden he was refused a hearing. He wanted the consul to endorse his checks on the Christian Church Mission, that he might pay his steamer fares and his hotel bills.

"We were boycotted by this representative of the United States government," says Mrs. Ogden. "We had to go to the British consul, and he treated us well and helped us in many ways. The British and French consuls in the interior, hearing that a party of missionaries was coming in great numbers with money to spend, and to assure us they would help us along. They, as well as Mason Mitchell, treated us well. Five at Shanghai are found no better friend than Consul General Wilder."

In the Mist of Peace.

The Ogden family was met at the airport here by Mr. D. C. Peters, pastor of the Christian Church, W. C. Winslow, Mr. Hall and other officers of the State.

RELIGIOUS WORK IS INAUGURATED

Foundation Meeting in Christian
Extension Movement Is
Enthusiastic.

What promises to be the most spirited and aggressive religious campaign in the history of Honolulu was inaugurated last night in Cooke Hall of the Y. M. C. A. building when prominent lay workers from four of the leading churches of the city gathered to listen to an hour's instruction from the Rev. Dr. Doremus Scudder, of the Central Union Church.

The war against evil is called the Christian Extension Movement and in its early stages is to take the form of quiet though persistent personal work on the part of the Christian men and women of the city and county. It is wholly interdenominational and no creed or color is barred from active participation in the good work. On the contrary, all men and women who believe themselves capable of assisting in the betterment of their city or its people are given an urgent invitation to enroll themselves in the fighting ranks.

The Young Men's Christian Association is primarily behind the movement, and its men's interdenominational training class is the nucleus around which the greater host of later weeks is expected to rally. Believing that training and oneness of purpose are as essential to the successful grappling with moral enemies as with those upon fields of physical battle, the Movement is first putting its best men through the course of instruction, which had its beginning last evening.

Doctor Scudder did not attempt to be eloquent, he did not preach; but his hour's talk was earnest and practical and intended to convince his hearers that each and every one of them, armed with faith and a love of righteousness and backed and upheld by the united prayers of the churches of the city, could go forth and bring in new recruits to the army of the cross.

To the end that the members of the big class should know the vital arguments of faith as used by Christ and his Apostles, Doctor Scudder apporportioned the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, and the Acts, among those present; each one of the class to be prepared at the next meeting to "speak as one with authority."

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RUSSIAN STEAMER GOES TO BOTTOM

BUCHAREST, January 11.—The Russian steamer Russ has foundered in a Black Sea gale and 172 people, including all the passengers and crew, are drowned. Unsuccessful attempts were made to launch lifeboats. The vessel belonged to the Russian Steam Navigation Company.

WOOTEN NAMED FOR FORT DE RUSSY

WASHINGTON, January 12.—Major Wooten, now in charge of the engineering work in and around Honolulu has been designated by the war department as the first commandant of Fort de Russy.

CARNEGIE WAS FOR FEDERAL CONTROL

WASHINGTON, January 12.—Andrew Carnegie during his cross-examination here before the house committee admitted that he had favored the appointment of Secretary of State Knox, and further that in 1901 he had advocated governmental control of corporations.

THREE VICE ADMIRALS PROPOSED FOR NAVY

WASHINGTON, January 12.—In a bill introduced in the house of representatives today by Congressman Levy, of New York, provision for the immediate creation of three vice admirals is made. Congressman Levy is a member of the house committee on naval affairs.

FORGERIES REACH \$300,000.

ATLANTA, January 11.—It is believed the forgeries of Charles M. Deering and others will reach \$300,000.

NEW YORK FIRE KILLS SEVEN.

NEW YORK, January 11.—Seven people were killed today in an apartment house fire.

MOROS ARE LAID TO REST.

MANILA, January 11.—Twenty-five Moros were killed today in an attempt to burn down a school house.

RUSSIANS MUST KEEP HANDS OFF CHINA

Wu Ting Fang Declares En-
croachments Will Be Re-
sisted Stoutly.

SPEAKS FOR REPUBLICANS

After Conference With President
Thinks Muscovite Motives
Misconstrued.

NANKING, January 12.—Dr. Wu Ting Fang, after a lengthy conference here today with Dr. Sun Yat Sen, president of the Chinese Republic, declared that it was the belief of himself and Dr. Sun that Russia's intentions with reference to Mongolia had been misconstrued. He felt, he said, that Russia was friendly to the best interests of China.

However, Dr. Wu Ting Fang added, that if Russia should attempt any encroachments upon China in any way the republicans would resist to the utmost.

AMBASSADOR BACON QUITS GAY PAREE

Friend of Colonel Roosevelt and
Member Famous Tennis
Cabinet.



HON. ROBERT BACON,
Personal friend of Roosevelt and mem-
ber tennis cabinet.

PARIS, January 11.—Hon. Francis Bacon, the American ambassador to France, today confirmed the report that he had forwarded his resignation to Washington and that it had been accepted. The ambassador gives as a reason that he will accept a fellowship at Harvard. He was long the intimate friend of ex-President Roosevelt and a one time member of the famous "tennis cabinet."

GOMPERS HITS AT USE OF INJUNCTIONS

Says Their Employment to Pre-
vent Strikes Virtual
Slavery.

WASHINGTON, January 12.—In a lengthy speech before the senate supporting the interstate commerce committee's demand that the Sherman law should exempt labor, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, quoted Colonel Roosevelt to the effect that the Sherman law should omit all references to labor.

Speaking about the use of injunctions as practiced throughout the country for the prevention of strikes, Mr. Gompers said their use was in effect a reestablishment of slavery.

U. S. STILL IN ZERO'S CLUTCHES

CHICAGO, January 12.—In spite of the terribly cold weather of the past few days the weather bureau predicts a still lower temperature in the next twenty-four hours.